## Harris County Board of Commissioners Parks and Recreation Department



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## Update about Coronavirus (COVID-19) March 14, 2020

HARRIS COUNTY, GA – Out of an abundance of caution, and in the best interest of our residents, guests and employees, the Harris County Parks and Recreation Department is proceeding with caution and closing all facilities due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) effective at 8 p.m. on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, and will remained closed through at least April 5<sup>th</sup>. This includes Harris County Community Center, Charles Moultrie Park, E.C. Pate Park, Harris County Soccer Complex, and Pine Mountain Valley Park.

The Harris County Parks and Recreation Department is in a unique position in that, first and foremost, we have a responsibility to preserve the health and safety of Harris County Residents. Therefore, in alignment with the State of Georgia, Little League International, Georgia Soccer, Harris County School District, and the Georgia Department Public of Health, we are following recommendations that all programming, sporting events, classes and events be canceled until further notice.

The department's facilities and spaces are embedded in Harris County neighborhoods and serve as critical gathering places for all. The department will continue to evaluate what programming may be necessary to support and meet the community's needs during this public health emergency.

The current situation is changing by the hour, and each day brings a new and additional understanding of the virus. The department's policies, actions and advice will continue to evolve in real time to keep Harris County residents, workers and visitors safe and healthy.

The Harris County Parks and Recreation Staff will continue to deep clean and maintain the facilities to ensure the Harris County Residents safety when we open our facilities back up.

If any changes are needed, we will respond quickly and communicate to all. For a full list of department related updates and closures, visit recreation.harriscountyga.gov

Please wash your hands. It is the safest way to sanitize! For additional information about COVID-19, visit, Georgia Department Public of Health, or Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.